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CAMPBELL'S INITIAL ENTHUSIASM FOR LE QUESNE- BOOTHROYD TRIP TO WASHINGTON (REFTEL B) UNFORTUNATELY DID NOT REFLECT VIEWS OF PRINCIPALS. ACTING HEAD WEST AFRICAN DEPT LING CALLED APRIL 17 TO SAY THAT MRS. BOOTHROYD WOULD BE IN TOKYO WEEK OF APRIL 30 AND THAT LE QUESNE HAD COOLED ON IDEA IN VIEW OF WHAT HE CHARACTERIZED AS " VAGUENESS" OF WORLD BANK REPORT FROM ACCRA. LING UNDERSTOOD THAT IDEA OF WASHINGTON DISCUSSIONS HAD ORIGINATED WITH LE QUESNE AND THAT PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS AT WASHINGTON END WERE KEEN ON IT. HOWEVER, HE SAID THAT MRS. BOOTHROYD WAS KEY FIGURE AND COULD NOT CHANGE HER SCHEDULE AT THIS POINT AND WITH LE QUESNE NO LONGER ENTHUSIASTIC, BRITISH MUST REGRETFULLY DECLINE INVITATION. LING SAID HE WOULD BE SENDING PERSONAL MESSAGE TO DEPUTY ASSTSECY SMITH THROUGH BRITISH EMBASSY WASHINGTON.

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